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Citations and explanations:

Document 1: WO 02/018080 A (Upepo and Maji Kabushiki Kaisha), 07 March 2002 Document 2: JP 10-204350 A (Seiko Epson Corp.), 04 August 1998

Claims 1-12

A metal nano particle liquid dispersion coated on a nano particle surface using a specified compound wherein the liquid viscosity is limited to 2-30 mPa·s with a dispersion solvent volume ratio of 55-80 volume%, and the liquid viscosity is limited to 20-1000 Pa-s when some of the dispersion solvent is evaporated and removed and the concentrated dispersion solvent volume ratio is 20-50 volume%, and when this liquid dispersion is sprayed in droplet form to form a coating film, some of the dispersion solvent in the droplets evaporates during passage to the coated surface and coating occurs using concentrated droplets is not described in documents 1 or 2 cited in the ISR, and would not obviously or logically be derived just from prior art by a person skilled in the relevant technical field.